We claim:

- 1. A method for predicting the level and distribution of CYP3A5 expression in a subject comprising determining the nucleotide present in each CYP3A5 allele of the genomic DNA of said subject at the location(s) selected from the group consisting of:

  (a) the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 within intron 3 of the Cyp3A5 gene;
  - (b) the position corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 within exon 7 of the Cyp3A5 gene; and
- (c) the positions corresponding to both nucleotide 22,893 and nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020;
- wherein the presence of an A at the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on at least one CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively high level of expression of CYP3A5 and the presence of a G at the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on each CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively low level of expression;
- wherein the presence of a G at the position corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on at least one CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively high level of expression of CYP3A5 and the presence of an A at the position corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on each CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively low level of expression of CYP3A5; and
  - wherein the presence of an A at the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 and a G at the position corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on at least one CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively high level of expression of
  - CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively high level of expression of CYP3A5 and the presence of either a G at the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 or an A at the position

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corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 on each CYP3A5 allele of said subject predicts a relatively low level of expression of CYP3A5.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said location is the position corresponding to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 within intron 3 of the Cyp3A5 gene.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said location is the position corresponding to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020 exon 5 of the Cyp3A5 gene.
  - 4. The method of claim 1 wherein said locations are the positions corresponding to both nucleotide 22,893 and nucleotide 30597 of Genbank sequence accession no. AC005020.
  - 5. The method of claims 1-4 wherein the step of determining the nucleotide present in each CYP3A5 allele of said subject at the selected location(s) is accomplished by sequencing a region of the genomic DNA of said subject which includes said location(s).
  - 6. The method of claims 1-4 wherein the step of determining the nucleotide present in each Cyp3A5 allele of said subject at the selected location(s) is accomplished by (a) amplifying a region of the genomic DNA of said subject which includes said location(s)to generate an amplified fragment, and (b) treating the amplified fragment with a restriction enzyme in its corresponding restriction buffer to determine the identity of the nucleotide present at the selected location(s).
  - 7. The method of claims 1-4 wherein the step of determining the nucleotide present in each Cyp3A5 allele of said subject at the selected location(s) is accomplished by (a) amplifying a region of the genomic DNA of said subject which includes said location(s), and (b) hybridizing the amplified region with probes specific for the

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selected location(s) wherein hybridization determines the identity of the nucleotide present at the selected location(s).

- 8. A method for determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype and phenotype of an individual comprising:
  - (a) isolating nucleic acid from the individual;
  - (b) amplifying a region of the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) gene sequence selected from the group of :
    - (i) intron 3 comprising nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
    - (ii) exon 7 comprising nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020; and
    - (iii) intron 3 comprising nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020 and exon 7 comprising nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020; ; and
    - (c) analyzing the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) sequence.
- 9. The method of claim 8 wherein the intron 3 region of cytochrome P450 3A5
  (CYP3A5) is amplified utilizing primers which amplify 5' and 3' of the nucleotide
  22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020.
  - 10. The method of claim 9 wherein the intron 3 region is amplified utilizing primer pairs SEQ ID NO: 24 and 25, or primer pairs SEQ ID NO: 26 and 27.
- 25 11. The method of claim 8 wherein the exon 7 region of cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) is amplified utilizing primers which amplify 5' and 3' of the nucleotide 30,597 point mutation of Genbank accession no. AC005020.
- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein the exon 7 region is amplified utilizing primer pairs SEQ ID NO: 30 and 16, or primer pairs SEQ ID NO: 31 and 32.

- 13. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) intron 3 genotype of a subject which comprises:
- (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
- (b) amplifying a cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) PCR fragment from said nucleic acid using a set of primers, wherein said set of primers contains primer X and primer Y: wherein
  - (i) the X primer is complementary to a region 5' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
- (iii) the Y primer is complementary to a region 3' to the point mutation site at 10 nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
  - (c) amplifying the sequence in between primers X and Y, thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
- (d) sequencing the amplified fragment obtained in step (c), thereby determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) intron 3 genotype of said subject. 15
  - 14. The method of claim 13 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 24, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and primer Y has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 25, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
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- 15. The method of claim 13 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 26, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and primer Y has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 27, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 16. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of a subject which comprises:
- (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
- (b) making a first and a second PCR primer wherein 30
  - (i) the first PCR primer is complementary to intron 3 and introduces a base change in the PCR product adjacent to or near the point mutation at nucleotide 22,893

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of Genbank accession no. AC005020, such that a restriction site is generated in the presence of a particular nucleotide at nucleotide 22,893; and

- (ii) the second PCR primer is complementary to a region 3' to the intron 3 nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
- 5 (c) amplifying the sequence in between the first and the second primers; thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
  - (d) treating the amplified fragment obtained in step (c) with a restriction enzyme in its corresponding restriction buffer to detect presence or absence of a point mutation at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, thereby determining the
- 10 cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of said subject.
  - 17. The method of claim 16 wherein the first primer introduces a *Tru9 I/MseI* restriction site in the presence of an A nucleotide at nucleotide 22,893, and the second primer has the sequence selected from SEQ ID NO:27 and SEQ ID NO: 25, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
  - 18. The method of claim 16 wherein the first primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 33, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and the second primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 27, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
  - 19. The method of claim 16 wherein the first primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO:33, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and the second primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO:25, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
  - 20. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of a subject which comprises:
  - (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
  - 30 (b) amplifying a cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) PCR fragment from said nucleic acid using a first set of primers, wherein said first set of primers contains primer X and primer Y; wherein

- (i) the X primer is complementary to a region 5' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020; and
- (ii) the Y primer is complementary to a region 3' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
- 5 (c) amplifying the sequence in between primers X and Y, thereby obtaining an first round amplified fragment;
  - (d) amplifying the first round amplified fragment using a second set of primers, wherein said second set of primers contains primer Z and primer W, wherein
- (i) primer Z is complementary to intron 3 and introduces a base change in the PCR product adjacent to or near the point mutation at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, such that a restriction site is generated in the presence of a particular mutation at nucleotide 22,893; and
  - (ii) primer W is complementary to a region 3' to intron 3;
  - (e) amplifying the sequence in between primers Z and W, thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
    - (f) treating the amplified fragment obtained in step (e) with a restriction enzyme in its corresponding restriction buffer to detect presence or absence of a point mutation at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, thereby determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of said subject.

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- 21. The method of claim 20 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 24, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long; primer Y has the sequence selected from the group of SEQ ID NO:25, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long; primer Z introduces a *Tru9 I/MseI* restriction site in the presence of an A nucleotide at nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020; and primer W has the sequence selected from SEQ ID NO: 27 and SEQ ID NO: 25, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 22. The method of claim 21 wherein primer Z has the sequence corresponding to30 SEQ ID NO: 33, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.

- 23. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of a subject which comprises
- 5 (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
  - (b) amplifying a cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) PCR fragment from said nucleic acid using a set of primers, wherein said set of primers contains primer X and primer Y; wherein
- (i) the X primer is complementary to a region 5' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
  - (iii) the Y primer is complementary to a region 3' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
  - (c) amplifying the sequence in between primers X and Y, thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
- (d) sequencing the amplified fragment obtained in step (c), thereby determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) exon 7 genotype of said subject.
- 24. The method of claim 23 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 30, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and primer Y
  20 has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 16, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
  - 25. The method of claim 23 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 31, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and primer Y has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 32, or a fragment thereof which is at
- has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 32, or a tragment thereof which is a least ten bases long.
  - 26. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of a subject which comprises:
- 30 (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
  - (b) making a first and a second PCR primer wherein
    - (i) the first PCR primer is complementary to exon 7 and introduces a base

change in the PCR product adjacent to or near the point mutation at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, such that a restriction site is generated in the presence of a particular nucleotide at nucleotide 30,597; and

- (ii) the second PCR primer is complementary to a region 3' to the intron 3 nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
  - (c) amplifying the sequence in between the first and the second primers; thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
  - (d) treating the amplified fragment obtained in step (c) with a restriction enzyme in its corresponding restriction buffer to detect presence or absence of a point mutation at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, thereby determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of said subject.
- 27. The method of claim 26 wherein the first primer introduces a *Tru9 I/MseI* restriction site in the presence of a A nucleotide at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank
  15 accession no. AC005020, and the second primer has the sequence selected from SEQ ID NO: 32 and SEQ ID NO: 16, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 28. The method of claim 26 wherein the first primer has the sequence corresponding
  to SEQ ID NO: 34, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and the second primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 32, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 29. The method of claim 26 wherein the first primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 34, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long, and second primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 16, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
  - 30. A method for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) exon 7 genotype of a subject which comprises:
    - (a) isolating nucleic acid from said subject;
    - (b) amplifying a cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) PCR fragment from said nucleic

acid using a first set of primers, wherein said first set of primers contains primer X and primer Y; wherein

- (i) the X primer is complementary to a region 5' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
- 5 (ii) the Y primer is complementary to a region 3' to the point mutation site at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020;
  - (c) amplifying the sequence in between primers X and Y, thereby obtaining an first round amplified fragment;
- (d) amplifying the first round amplified fragment using a second set of primers,
   wherein said second set of primers contains primer Z and primer W, wherein
  - (i) primer Z is complementary to exon 7 and introduces a base change in the PCR product adjacent to or near the point mutation at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, such that a restriction site is generated in the presence of a particular mutation at nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020; and
- 15 (ii) primer W is complementary to a region 3' to exon 7;
  - (e) amplifying the sequence in between primers Z and W, thereby obtaining an amplified fragment; and
- (f) treating the amplified fragment obtained in step (e) with a restriction enzyme in its corresponding restriction buffer to detect presence or absence of a point mutation at
   nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020, thereby determining the cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype of said subject.
- 31. The method of claim 30 wherein primer X has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 30, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long; primer Y has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 16, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long; primer Z introduces a *Tru9 I/MseI* restriction site in the presence of an A nucleotide at nucleotide 30,597; and primer W has the sequence selected from SEQ ID NO: 32 and SEQ ID NO:16, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 30 32. The method of claim 31 wherein primer Z has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 34, or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.

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- 33. A test kit suitable for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype, and thereby determining expression of cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) protein in an individual comprising:
- (a) a predetermined amount of a first amplification primer complementary to a
   region 5' to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020 within intron 3 of the CYP3A5 gene;
  - (b) a predetermined amount of a second amplification primer complementary to a region 3' to nucleotide 22,893 of Genbank accession no. AC005020 within intron 3 of the CYP3A5 gene;
- 10 (c) other reagents; and
  - (d) directions for use of said kit.
  - 34. The test kit of claim 33 wherein the first amplification primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 24 or SEQ ID NO: 26 and the second amplification primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 25 or SEQ ID NO:27.
  - 35. A test kit suitable for determining cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) genotype, and thereby determining expression of cytochrome P450 3A5 (CYP3A5) protein in an individual comprising:
  - (a) a predetermined amount of a first amplification primer complementary to a region 5' to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020 within exon 7 of the CYP3A5 gene;
    - (b) a predetermined amount of a second amplification primer complementary to a region 3' to nucleotide 30,597 of Genbank accession no. AC005020 within exon 7 of the CYP3A5 gene;
      - (c) other reagents; and
      - (d) directions for use of said kit.
  - 36. The test kit of claim 35 wherein the first amplification primer has the sequence
     30 corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 30 or SEQ ID NO: 31 and the second amplification primer has the sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO: 16 or SEQ ID NO:32.

- 37. An isolated oligonucleotide primer having a sequence selected from the group of SEQ ID NOS: 24-27 and 33 or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.
- 38. An isolated oligonucleotide primer having a sequence selected from the group of
   SEQ ID NOS: 16, 30-32 and 34 or a fragment thereof which is at least ten bases long.